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### TWELVE CALLED FOR INDUCTION FRIDAY, JUNE 29

Twelve more young men have been called for Army induction and active duty next Friday, June 29. They are as follows:

Arthur Takanobu Mikamo

Calvin M. Raji

Masao Takemoto

Tom Tadashi Masumiya

Kyo Edgar Utsunomiya

George Sumio Yoshimi

Kazu Kishi

Relocated:

Masani Fukai

Mack Masakazu Takahashi

Masaki Teraoka

Ben Okada

Tokio Nomura

### Fund Proposed For Student Aid

A proposal to form a Japanese American Students' Scholarship Fund has been originated by the Butte Community Council and will be sent to the seven WRA centers for approval of having such a fund in all centers.

The scholarship fund, if approved, will be granted as loans to worthy and needy Nisei students on the recommendation from their respective colleges. The loan is to be made without interest during the student's school years and will be repaid to the fund after graduation.

The fund will be administered by an office set up for the purpose. Details of administration will be decided by a committee of representatives from the various centers.

Money for this fund will come from the surplus money of various organizations such as Red Cross, PTA, community enterprises, churches, and surplus school funds. The Council wishes all organizations would give surplus money to this fund instead of spending unwisely.

### CANAL CAMP WILL CLOSE BY OCTOBER SAYS MYER

The Gila River Canal Camp will be closed to evacuee occupancy no later than Oct. 1, 1945, according to a n announcement just received by Project Director Leroy H. Bennett.

The announcement, signed by Director Dillon S. Myer, stated that administrative consideration, plus the fact that con-

### Santa Barbarans Meet Tonight

Eric Thomsen, district relocation officer from Santa Barbara, will meet tonight with residents formerly from Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo counties in a round table discussion on sentiment and conditions in that area. The meeting will start 7:30 at mess hall 52.

Thomsen and Taki Asakura, former Gila, arrived from Santa Barbara yesterday and will meet with groups and individuals who are interested in the Santa Barbara area. Thomsen probably will leave this Friday, but Asakura expects to stay for a week or ten days.

At tonight's meeting both men will be present to discuss relocation problems and answer questions.

### TRANSPORTATION BY BUS SOUGHT

The Arizona Corporation Commission took under advisement following a hearing Friday an application of the Greyhound Pacific bus lines for authority to transport passengers from the Gila River Relocation Center to Chandler and Phoenix, according to an AP report.

The Greyhound Lines seek a certificate of necessity and convenience to provide the transportation.

tinued normal relocation should in itself depopulate Canal on or before that date, made the decision necessary. It also stated that units LI and LII at the Colorado River Center would be closed by the same date, for the same reasons.

### 3 MONTH NOTICE

The announcements were made at this time in accordance with WRA's previously stated policy of giving the residents three months advance notice before closing centers or units.

Myer stated, "During the next three months, I am confident that you and your staff, with the cooperation of the evacuee committees, can work out relocation plans with all residents of the Canal Camp. If need be, the Washington Office will provide additional assistance, and I am asking all field offices of the authority to render special services to the Gila River and Colorado River Centers during this closing period."

### TRANSFERS LIMITED

It is expected that all residents of Canal will relocate before Oct. 1. Transfers to Butte will be permitted only in those individual cases where WRA is not able to complete final relocation arrangements for persons needing continued public assistance or some form of institutional care.

The Director's letter announcing closing of three units sent to all projects, also asked that appointive staff and evacuee leaders work out recommendations for setting of individual center closing dates, prior to Jan. 1 where feasible, as determined by present and probable relocation rates.